

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH THE TWO HIGHEST RANKED FIRMS, BECKER, IN AN ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00, AND GRAYROBINSON, P.A., IN AN ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00, TO PROVIDE STATE AND LOCAL LOBBYING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the City, as represented by the Chief Civic Affairs Officer for the Office of the City Manager, is seeking qualified firms to perform responsibilities of lobbyists at the state and local levels; and

WHEREAS, the lobbyists will serve in a consulting and advisory capacity to the City for all issues at the state and local levels and must possess a strong working knowledge of legislative, administrative, and regulatory processes; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2018, Notice of Bid Availability for RFP-4581-18-JE was posted on the City's website, advertised and sent to 1,226 firms and viewed by 41 vendors on Bidsync.com in accordance with Section 38.42 (A)(1) of the City's Purchasing Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, RFP-4581-18-JE was opened at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 26, 2018, and resulted in the following three responses:

- Ballard Partners, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- Becker & Poliakoff, d/b/a "Becker", Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- GrayRobinson, Tallahassee, Florida

; and

WHEREAS, evaluation of the proposals was based on the following criteria as established in the RFP: Project Organization and Technical Qualifications of the Persons Assigned to the Project; Project Understanding, Proposed Approach and Methodology; Qualifications of the Firm; Relationships, Resource and Capabilities; Cost to the City and Local Preference; and

WHEREAS, the proposals were evaluated by three committee members consisting of the Director of Public Utilities, Director of Public Works and the Community Development Manager; and

WHEREAS, after the proposals were evaluated, the Evaluation Committee scores were tallied to arrive at the scores below:

- Becker & Poliakoff, d/b/a “Becker” 287.0
- GrayRobinson 270.0
- Ballard Partners 195.0

; and

WHEREAS, the Evaluation Committee deemed Becker and GrayRobinson to be the most responsive, relative to the City’s needs; and

WHEREAS, Becker and GrayRobinson demonstrated a strong working knowledge of legislative, administrative, and regulatory processes and each has previously provided services to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Evaluation Committee believes that the City would benefit greatly by contracting with multiple firms to provide Lobbying Services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Civic Affairs Officer and the Director of Procurement and Contract Compliance recommend that the City Commission authorize the execution of agreements with Becker & Poliakoff, d/b/a “Becker”, and GrayRobinson to provide Lobbying Services in the annual amount of \$50,000.00 each, for a three year period with options to renew for three additional one periods based on satisfactory performance, mutual acceptance and the determination that all renewals are in the best interest of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City reserves the right to terminate the agreements with or without cause; and

WHEREAS, this award is subject to the City receiving all insurance documentation required and approved by Risk, along with signed statements of Hold Harmless and Indemnity in favor of the City; and

WHEREAS, funding for the agreements has been appropriated and exists in the Legislative Representation Account Number 01.1102.00010.512.003149 and is anticipated to be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated in this Resolution.

Section 2: That it authorizes the execution, by the appropriate City officials, of an agreement with Becker & Poliakoff, P.A., d/b/a “Becker”, embodying the terms and conditions approved by the City Commission, in a form acceptable to the City Manager and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the City Attorney.

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Section 3: That it authorizes the execution, by the appropriate City officials, of the attached agreement with GrayRobinson, P.A., embodying the terms and conditions approved by the City Commission, in a form acceptable to the City Manager and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the City Attorney.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2018.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL
SUFFICIENCY for the use and reliance
of the City of Hollywood, Florida, only.

DOUGLAS R. GONZALES, CITY ATTORNEY